

# Interoperability (hospitals)

(as defined by HIMSS- Health Information and Management Systems Society) **–not yet defined for ambulatory care**

- Must have all ancillary systems online – Lab, radiology, & pharmacy (Stage 1)
- Must be leveraging a clinical data repository (Stage 2)
- Utilizing clinical documentation to record patient status during treatment (Stage 3)
- Computerized Physician Order Entry (CPOE) mechanisms in use (Stage 4)
- Be able to exchange Continuity of Care Documents (CCD) with other entities (a portion of Stage 7)